

Chi-Square Test

→ Chi-Square test is a statistical test used to determine whether there is a significant association b/w categorical variables. It is particularly useful for analyzing data where you have two or more categorical variables and you want to assess whether they are independent or related in some way. There are several variations of chi-square test.

- i) Chi-Square ^{Test} Table for Independence :- This test is used to determine if there is significant association b/w two categorical variables in contingency table. It helps answer question like "is there a relationship b/w gender and voting preference?"
- ii) Chi-Square Goodness of Fit test :- This test assesses whether an observed frequency distribution of categorical data matches an expected theoretical distribution. For eg, you might use it to check if the distribution of blood types follows expected proportions.
- iii) Chi-Square test for Homogeneity :- This test is used to compare the distributions of categorical variables across different groups or populations to see if they are significantly different.

CHI-SQUARE TEST FOR INDEPENDENCE

- Q. Suppose you are conducting a survey to investigate whether there is an association b/w a person's level of education & their preferred type of vacation destination. You collect data from 300 individuals and categorize them into 3 education levels ("High School", "Bachelor's Degree", and "Masters Degree") and three vacation preferences ("Beach", "City", "Mountain"). Your goal is to determine if there is a significant association b/w education level and vacation preference.

Education level	Vacation Preference		
	Beach	City	Mountain
High School	50	30	20
Bachelor's Degree	40	60	10
Masters Degree	30	40	30

- i) Is there a significant association b/w a person's level of education & their preferred type of vacation destination? Conduct a Chi-square test for Independence at a 5% significance level.

ANSWER

Step 1: Set up Hypothesis

- Null Hypothesis (H_0): There is no association b/w education level & vacation preference.
 H_0 :- Two categorical variables are independent.
- Alternative Hypothesis (H_1): There is an association b/w education level and vacation preference.
 H_1 :- The two categorical variables are not independent.

Step 2:- Choosing Significant level.
 $\alpha = 0.05$.

Step 3:- Create Contingency table.
 (Look at the table)

Step 4:- Calculate Expected frequencies

$$\text{Expected frequency} = \frac{\text{Row total} \times \text{Column total}}{\text{Grand total}}$$

Education level	Beach	City	Mountain	Total
High School	50	30	20	$\Rightarrow 100$
Bachelor's Degree	40	60	10	$\Rightarrow 110$
Masters Degree	30	40	30	$\Rightarrow 100$
	120	130	60	310

Expected frequencies

Grand total

Education level	Beach	City	Mountain
High School	38.71	41.93	19.35
Bachelor's Degree	42.58	46.129	21.29
Master's Degree	38.7	41.935	19.35

Step 5:- Calculate Chi-square Statistic

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(\text{Observed} - \text{Expected})^2}{\text{Expected}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & \frac{(11.29)^2}{38.71} + \frac{(11.93)^2}{41.93} + \frac{(0.65)^2}{19.35} + \frac{(6.58)^2}{42.58} + \frac{(13.87)^2}{46.129} \\ & + \frac{(11.29)^2}{21.29} + \frac{(8.7)^2}{38.7} + \frac{(1.935)^2}{41.935} + \frac{(10.65)^2}{19.35} = \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3.29 + 3.394 + 0.0218 + 0.1563 + 4.17 + 5.987 + 19.55 + 0.089 + 5.86$$

$$= 24.923$$

Step b :- Determine Degree of freedom.

$$df = (\text{No. of Rows} - 1) \times (\text{Number of columns} - 1)$$

$$= 4$$

Step 4. Calculate Critical value

for, $df = 4$ & $\alpha = 0.05$ look at Chi-Square table
critical value = 9.488

Step 5 :- Compare critical value & Chi-Square Statistic

If $\chi^2 \leq \text{Critical value}$, we fail to reject null hypothesis.
If $\chi^2 > \text{Critical value}$, reject null hypothesis.

Here $\chi^2 > \text{Critical value}$

\therefore we reject Null hypothesis.

Conclusion :- At 95% CI & 5% Significance level we can say that the 2 categorical variables are not independent. There is a significant association b/w person's level of education & vacation destination.

CHI-SQUARE GOODNESS OF FIT TEST

- Q. Imagine you are a Quality control Manager at a candy manufacturing company. Your company produces bags of assorted candies, and you claim that the bags contain an equal distribution of four different flavors: "Chocolate", "Strawberry", "Lemon", "Mint". However a consumer group suspects that your bags are not equally distributed and that one of the flavors is underrepresented. To investigate, you randomly select 200 candies from a bag and record the number of each flavor you find. You want to test if the observed distribution of flavors match your claim.

Observed distribution

Chocolate - 60

Strawberry - 50

Lemon - 45

Mint - 45

Question

Is there a significant difference b/w the observed distribution of candy flavors and the claimed distribution (equal distribution of 25% for each flavor)? Perform a Chi-square Goodness of Fit Test at 5% Significance level.

ANSWER

Step 1 :- Set up Hypothesis

H_0 :- The observed distribution matches the claimed distribution (equal distribution of 25% of each flavor)

H_0 :- The distribution of flavor is as claimed

H_1 :- Distribution of flavor is not as claimed

Step 2 :- Expected Distribution.

$$\text{Chocolate} \rightarrow 0.25 \times 200 = 50$$

$$\text{Strawberry} = 50$$

$$\text{Lemon} = 50$$

$$\text{Mint} = 50$$

Step 3 :- Calculate Chi-Square Statistic.

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(\text{Observed} - \text{Expected})^2}{\text{Expected}}$$

$$\text{Chocolate} = \frac{60 - 100}{50} = 2$$

$$\text{Strawberry} = 0$$

$$\text{Lemon} = \frac{25}{50} = 0.5$$

$$\text{Mint} = 0.5$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

Step 4 :- Degree of freedom = 3

Step 5 :- Find critical value from Chi-Square table = 7.815

Step 6 :- Conclusion

$\chi^2 < \text{critical value}$ we ^{fail} to reject Null hypothesis

CHI-SQUARE TEST FOR HOMOGENITY

Scenario :- Suppose you work for a political polling organization and you want to determine whether there is a significant difference in political party preferences among three different age groups: "Young Adults" (ages 18-30), "Middle-Aged Adults" (ages 31-50), and "Senior Adults" (ages 51 and above). You conduct a survey and record the political party preference of 500 individuals in each age group. You want to test if the distribution of political party preferences is the same across all three age groups.

Data:

Here's the summarized data:

- For "Young Adults" (ages 18-30):
 - 90 individuals prefer Party A
 - 110 Individuals prefer Party B
 - 100 Individuals prefer Party C
- For "Middle-Aged Adults" (ages 31-50)
 - 70 individuals prefer Party A
 - 120 individuals prefer Party B
 - 110 individuals prefer Party C
- For "Senior Adults" (ages 51 and above)
 - 60 individuals prefer Party A
 - 90 individuals prefer Party B
 - 150 individuals prefer Party C

Question :- Is there a significant difference in political party preferences among the three age groups: "Young Adults", "Middle-Aged Adults", and "Senior Adults"? Perform a Chi-Square Test for Homogeneity at 5% significance level.

ANSWER

- Step 1. H_0 :- The distribution of political party preference is same across all age groups.
 H_1 :- Distribution of political party ^{preference} is different among age groups.

Step 2. Contingency table.

Age Group	Political Party Preference			
	Party A	Party B	Party C	
Young Adults	90	110	100	300
Middle-Aged Adults	70	120	110	300
Senior Adults	60	90	150	300
	220	320	360	900

Step 3. Chi-Square Statistic

~~Expected~~ ^{Observed} ~~values~~ proportion of Party A = $\frac{90+70+60}{900} = \frac{220}{900} = 24.4\%$

Expected value for Young Adults of Party A = $24.4\% \text{ of } 300$

Age Group	Party A	Party B	Party C
Young Adults	73.33	106.67	120
Middle-Aged Adults	73.33	106.67	120
Senior Adults	73.33	106.67	120



$$\text{Expected Value} = \frac{\text{Row (total)} \times \text{Column (total)}}{\text{Grand Total}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^2 &= 3 \times \left(\frac{(90 - 73.33)^2}{73.33} + \frac{(110 - 106.67)^2}{106.67} + \frac{(120 - 120)^2}{120} \right) \\ &= 3 \times (3.789 + 0.1039 + 3.33) \\ &= 21.668 \end{aligned}$$

Step 4. Finding critical value for $\text{dof} = 4$ & $\alpha = 0.05$, 9.488

Step 5. Conclusion:- Since $\chi^2 > \text{Critical value}$ we reject null hypothesis.
 Distribution of political party preference is diff. for age groups.